



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

**VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL**

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**JAN 23 2012**

RE: MUR 6081  
American Issues Project  
Ed Martin, Jr.  
Edward Failor, Jr.

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

On October 2, 2008 and October 14, 2008, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, American Issues Project, Ed Martin, Jr., and Edward Failor, Jr., of complaints alleging violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").<sup>1</sup> Copies of the complaints were forwarded to your clients at that time. On November 24, 2008, we received your clients' response to the complaints. On October 6, 2011, a pre-Reason-To-Believe notification letter was sent to your client, and on October 17, 2011 we received your client's response to that notification.

The matter is currently under review by the Office of the General Counsel. This letter is to advise you that we expect the Commission to vote on the matter in mid-2012. After the Commission votes, you will receive notification of the Commission's determination. This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. §§ 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that your client wishes the matter to be made public. Please note that your client has a legal obligation to preserve all documents, records and materials relating to this matter until such time as you are notified that the Commission has closed its file in this matter. See 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

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<sup>1</sup> Please be advised that on April 16, 2009, the allegations concerning American Issues Project in MUR 6094 were severed and subsequently merged into MUR 6081. Please direct all future correspondence regarding American Issues Project using the appropriate designation of MUR 6081.

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This status report is being provided in accordance with Commission Directive 68 (Enforcement Procedures), available at [www.fee.gov](http://www.fee.gov). If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'William A. Powers', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

William A. Powers  
Attorney

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